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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/63/102 of 19 March 2008, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2009.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov (Russian Federation)

Richard Moon (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)

Thomas Thomma (Germany)

Courtney H. Williams (Jamaica)

Wu Gang (China)

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow (see annex).

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Annex

Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov

Born	1951
Education	Graduate of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, 1978
Current position	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Career	
1978	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1982-1986	Senior Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United States of America
1989-1996	Chief Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics/Russian Federation to Thailand
1996-1998	Chief Expert, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1998-2004	Chief Accountant, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations, New York
Since 2004	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation
Other Activities	
2004-present	Member of the Committee on Contributions
Spoken languages	Russian and English

Richard Moon

Richard Moon is the Ambassador of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Republic of Latvia, where he has served since mid-2007. Before that he had been Deputy Ambassador of the United Kingdom delegation to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris

Mr. Moon has extensive and relevant experience of United Nations finance issues. He represented the United Kingdom in the Fifth Committee from 1999 to 2003; and then moved to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, leaving at the end of 2004. He has been a member of the Committee on Contributions since 2005

Details of career

2006-present	Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia
2005-2006	Deputy Head of Mission, United Kingdom delegation to Paris, responsible for Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development institutional reform, new membership, and the external relations of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, particularly with the new emerging economics
2003-2004	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, New York
1999-2003	Finance Counsellor, Fifth Committee, New York
1997-1999	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Deputy Head of European Union External Department responsible for European Union policy towards Latin America and the Caribbean, the European Union/Lomé Agreement and the Mediterranean, management of the Department
1995-1997	Economic/European Union Affairs, Rome, dealing with macroeconomic analysis, structural issues such as Mezzogiorno and banking reform, European Union policy on Group of Seven
1993-1995	Political affairs, Rome, political reporting and press issues
1990-1992	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Head of Section in the Security Policy Department responsible for United Kingdom and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization nuclear policy
1988-1990	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Desk Officer responsible for European Union immigration and social issues
1984-1988	Political Affairs, Jakarta, dealing with internal political reporting human rights
1983	Joined the Foreign and Commonwealth Office
Born	London 1959
Educated	Oxford University (MA) and London School of Economics (PhD)

Hae-yun Park

Date of birth 8 December 1957 (Seoul)

Educational background

1988	MA at University of Pennsylvania, United States of America (in Political Science and also in Government Administration)
1981	BS at Seoul National University (in Oceanography)

Professional experience

Fifth Committee

2000	Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly)
2000-2008	Member of the Committee on Contributions

National Security Council, Presidential Office

2004-2005	Director, Policy Coordination Bureau

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade

2008-	Minister Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Iraq
2005-2008	Counsellor, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the Republic of Austria and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the International Organizations in Vienna
2002-2004	Director, United Nations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1998-2001	First Secretary, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, delegate to the Fifth Committee
1995-1998	Deputy Director, United Nations Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
1993-1995	First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Qatar
1990-1993	Second Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the United Kingdom
1984	Joins the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (now the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade)

Private sector

1981-1983	City Desk Reporter at the *Korea Times*

Publications

"The Financial Crisis of the United Nations and the Restructuring of the Peacekeeping Scale of the Assessment", *The United Nations in the Twenty-first Century: New Challenges and Opportunities*, Seoul, 2002

"The Reform of the United Nations", *Globalization and Multilateral Diplomacy*, Seoul, Jisiksanopsa, 2002

Citation Presidential Citation (1996), National Security Council Citation (2004)

Family status Married, with two sons

Thomas Thomma

Date and place of birth

29 August 1965 in Krumbach, Bavaria, Germany

Current position

Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations (since January 2006)

Delegate to the Fifth Committee (Budget) of the General Assembly

Elected member of the Committee on Contributions (since April 2007)

Professional career

2005	Member of the working group for a national reform programme — Lisbon Strategy, Federal Chancellery (Bundeskanzleramt), Berlin
2004-2005	Counsellor, Economic policy: Research and Policy Advice Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
2003-2004	Consultant economist, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris
2002-2003	Deputy head, Tax Policy Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin
2000-2002	First Secretary, parliamentary Special Committee on the Reform of Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations, Deutscher Bundestag, Berlin
1999-2000	Second Secretary, Tax Reform and Tax Policy Division, Federal Ministry of Finance, Bonn and Berlin
1997-1999	Economist, Budget Planning Division, State Ministry of Finance, Dresden
1994-1997	Parliamentary adviser to Professor M. Pfaff, PhD. Member of the Bundestag (Standing Committees on Health and Finance), Bonn
1995-1996	Lecturer in politics at the University of Augsburg
1990-1993	Research assistant, Federal Parliament (Deutscher Bundestag), Bonn

University education

1994	MSc in Economics (Diplom-Volkswirt), Bonn University
1990-1993	Graduate courses in economics and international politics at Bonn University
1989	Associate student, MBA-programme, Newcastle Business School
1987-1993	Scholarship student of the Friedrich-Ebert Foundation
1986-1988	Undergraduate courses in business administration, politics and psychology at the Universities of Augsburg and Munich (Diploma and MA intermediate exams)

Languages

German, English, French

Courtney H. Williams

Profile

Senior Director in the Fiscal Policy Management Unit of the Ministry of Finance and Planning since 2005, as Chief Fiscal Economist for five years and Fiscal Economist for another five years in the Unit. The 12 years of professional experience in the Ministry of Finance and Planning, Jamaica, have provided the requisite skills and competences for evaluating and undertaking prudent fiscal policy decisions. Major accomplishments include the provision of analytical support and fiscal policy advice to the Minister of Finance and Financial Secretary that led to the graduation of Jamaica to a non-borrowing member of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in 1996 and to Jamaica maintaining one of the largest primary budget surpluses in the world.

Notable achievements also include representing the Ministry of Finance and Planning and Jamaica at various international meetings and seminars and serving as one of Jamaica's chief experts who liaises and engages in technical discussions and agreements with major international institutions, including IMF, the World Bank, the European Union and credit rating agencies.

Personal information

Jamaican, 39 years old, married, with 2 children

Professional experience

Ministry of Finance and Planning, Fiscal Policy Management Unit, Jamaica, 1995-present

Senior Director, 2005-present

- Formulate fiscal programme within the context of the Government's objectives
- Maintain Jamaica's cordial relationship and lead technical discussions with international financial institutions
- Provide economic advice through preparation of technical reports and submission to Cabinet
- Oversee the timely production and dissemination of fiscal data and information
- Manage the budget and administrative functions of the unit
- Assist in developing the ministry's corporate and operational plans

Chief Fiscal Economist, 2000-2005

- Provided analytical support and fiscal policy advice to the Minister of Finance and Financial Secretary
- Played an integral role in the budget process through establishing expenditure ceilings, supervising revenue projections and engaging in technical discussions to develop Jamaica's financial programme
- Participated in the development of Jamaica's debt strategy

- Played a key role in negotiating, implementing and monitoring the IMF Staff Monitored Programme and Intensified Surveillance Programme

Fiscal Economist, 1995-2000

- Spearheaded establishment of a cash management system that streamlined government cash flow operations, facilitated the elimination of deficit financing by the central bank and reduced inflation to single digits
- Developed macro and micro simulation models that improved revenue forecast for the budget
- Prudently monitored fiscal operations that led to Jamaica becoming a non-borrowing member of IMF following 18 years of borrowing relationship

International assignments

- Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Single Market Symposium in 2006
- Visiting scholar at Georgia State University in 2004 to conduct research and provide technical assistance to the Jamaica Tax Reform Study
- China-Caribbean Public Servants Seminar, Beijing, 2003 — reviewed China's cultural, economic and political systems and institutions, including working tour of several cities, suburbs and institutions
- Seminar on Engendering Macroeconomics, Trinidad and Tobago, 2002
- Internship at IMF, 1999 — prepared paper on "The Wage Setting Process in Jamaica"
- Seminar on Economic Development in Latin America, Chile, 1998

University of the West Indies, Jamaica, 2000-present
Guest Lecturer, Public Financial Management

Education

Columbia University, New York
Master in International Affairs, specializing in Economic Policy Management, 1999

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Certificate in Tax Analysis and Revenue Forecasting, 1997

University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica
Bachelor of Science in Economics and Management, 1993

Board/committee membership

Statistical Institute of Jamaica, Board Member, 2006-present

CARICOM, Member of the Working Group on Fiscal Policy, 2002-present

Ministry of Finance and Planning, Jamaica, Alternate Member/Division Representative on Financial and Management Committee, 2001-present

Betting, Gaming and Lotteries Commission, Jamaica, Commissioner, 2001-2002

Languages

English

Wu Gang

Date and place of birth: Born on 28 November 1958 in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China

Educational background

February 1978 to February 1982, majoring in English and American literature in the Foreign Languages Department, Wuhan University, with BA degree

January 2003 to December 2003, majoring in Public Administration and Public Policy in Public Policy Programme, National University of Singapore obtaining an MA in Public Management. During the programme, several courses were conducted at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University

Training programmes attended

June 1982 to January 1983, training in international finance at FINAFRICA in Milan, Italy

October 1987, seminar on loan procedure sponsored by the Japan International Cooperation Agency in Tokyo, Japan

May to July 1996, internship at Morgan Stanley Co. in New York

Professional career

March 1982 to August 1988, Staff and Section Chief, Foreign Affairs Department and External Finance Department, Ministry of Finance, China

August 1988 to January 1993, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, New York

February 1993 to November 1998, Deputy Director and Director, External Finance Department and International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Finance, China

November 1998 to June 2000, Deputy Director-General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, China

June 2000 to present, Deputy Director-General, Department of Public Administrative and Law Enforcement of the Ministry of Finance, China

Working experience

Over the years of serving in the Ministry of Finance of China, Mr. Wu has been responsible for the budgetary expenditure and assessed contributions to the international organizations, and later covering international meetings and forums, involved in the policy-oriented studies for the benefit of the Ministry of Finance participation in such international forums as the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) finance ministers' meeting, the Asia-Europe Meeting finance ministers' meetings, Manila Framework Meetings, G20 Finance Ministers' Meetings, etc. He has been supervising World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) loan operations for Chinese investment projects and all related business and relations between these international financial institutions and China. Currently, he is responsible for budgetary management for public administrative, law enforcement and foreign-related expenditures of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of

Commerce, the Office of the State Council, the Customs Administration, the State Administration Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine, etc. Related business includes financing of foreign-related activities, Chinese aid to foreign countries, budget allocations to the Chinese embassies in the foreign countries, and assessed and pledged contributions to the international organizations.

International experience

During the years from 1988 to 1993, Mr. Wu worked with the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, covering Fifth Committee affairs, including budget and contribution issues. Thus, he had attended the forty-third to forty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly and the twenty-ninth to thirty-second sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination. After that, he mostly covered the finance ministers' meetings of a regional and global nature, such as APEC Finance Ministers' Meetings, Manila Framework Meetings, World Bank and ADB meetings, etc. Mr. Wu was elected and had served as the member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions since 2001.